

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

IN RE: TESTOSTERONE REPLACEMENT  
THERAPY PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

Don Hardekopf

Plaintiff(s),

v.

AbbVie Inc.; Abbott Laboratories; AbbVie  
Products LLC; Unimed Pharmaceuticals,  
LLC; Solvay, S.A.; Besins Healthcare Inc.;  
Besins Healthcare, S.A.

Defendant(s).

*All parties are to be included per Fed.R.Civ.P. 10(a)*

MDL No. 2545

Master Docket Case No. 1:14-cv-01748

Honorable Matthew F. Kennelly

Case No.: 1:18-cv-819

MASTER SHORT-FORM COMPLAINT  
FOR INDIVIDUAL CLAIMS

1. Plaintiff(s), Don Hardekopf,

state(s) and incorporate(s) by reference the portions indicated below of Plaintiffs' Master Long Form Complaint on file with the Clerk of the Court for the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois in the matter entitled *In Re: Testosterone Replacement Therapy Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 2545. Plaintiff(s) [is/are] filing this Short Form Complaint as permitted by Case Management Order No. 20 of this Court for cases filed directly into this district.

2. In addition to the below-indicated portions of the Master Long Form Complaint adopted by the plaintiff(s) and incorporated by reference herein, Plaintiff(s) hereby allege(s) as follows:

VENUE

3. Venue for remand and trial is proper in the following federal judicial district: U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri

**IDENTIFICATION OF PLAINTIFF(S)  
AND RELATED INTERESTED PARTIES**

4. Name and residence of individual injured by Testosterone Replacement Therapy product(s) ("TRT"): Don Hardekopf  
P.O. Box 1135, Kearney, Missouri 64060

5. Consortium Claim(s): The following individual(s) allege damages for loss of consortium: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Survival and/or Wrongful Death claims:

a. Name and residence of Decedent when he suffered TRT-related injuries and/or death:

b. Name and residence of individual(s) entitled to bring the claims on behalf of the decedent's estate (e.g., personal representative, administrator, next of kin, successor in interest, etc.)

**CASE SPECIFIC FACTS  
REGARDING TRT USE AND INJURIES**

7. Plaintiff currently resides in (city, state): Kearney, Missouri

8. At the time of the TRT-caused injury, [Plaintiff/Decedent] resided in (city, state): Kearney, Missouri

9. [Plaintiff/Decedent] began using TRT as prescribed and indicated on or about the following date: March 2012

10. [Plaintiff/Decedent] discontinued TRT use on or about the following date: January 2014

11. [Plaintiff/Decedent] used the following TRT products, which Plaintiff contends caused his injury(ies):

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AndroGel | <input type="checkbox"/> Striant                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Testim              | <input type="checkbox"/> Delatestryl                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Axiron              | <input type="checkbox"/> Other(s) (please specify): |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depo-Testosterone   | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Androderm           | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Testopel            | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fortesta            | _____   |

12. [Plaintiff/Decedent] is suing the following Defendants:

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|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AbbVie Inc.                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Endo Pharmaceuticals, Inc.     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abbott Laboratories         | <input type="checkbox"/> Auxilium Pharmaceuticals, Inc. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AbbVie Products LLC         | <input type="checkbox"/> GlaxoSmithKline, LLC           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unimed Pharmaceuticals, LLC |   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Besins Healthcare Inc.      | <input type="checkbox"/> Actavis, Inc.                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Besins Healthcare, S.A.     | <input type="checkbox"/> Actavis Pharma, Inc.           |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Actavis Laboratories UT, Inc.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eli Lilly and Company                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Anda, Inc.                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lilly USA, LLC                         |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Acrux Commercial Pty Ltd.              |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Acrux DDS Pty Ltd.                     |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pfizer, Inc.                           |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacia & Upjohn Company Inc.        |   |

☐ Other(s) (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

13. [Plaintiff/Decedent] is bringing suit against the following Defendant(s), who did not manufacture TRT and only acted as a distributor for TRT manufacturers:

a. TRT product(s) distributed: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Conduct supporting claims: \_\_\_\_\_

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14. TRT caused serious injuries and damages including but not limited to the following:

Plaintiff suffered a heart attack while taking AndroGel.

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15. Approximate date of TRT injury: February 2013

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#### **ALLEGATIONS, CLAIMS, AND THEORIES OF RECOVERY**

#### **ADOPTED AND INCORPORATED IN THIS LAWSUIT**

16. Plaintiff(s) hereby adopt(s) and incorporate(s) by reference as if set forth fully herein, all common allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 466 of the Master Long Form Complaint on file with the Clerk of the Court for the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois in the matter entitled *In Re: Testosterone Replacement Therapy Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 2545.

17. Plaintiff(s) hereby adopt(s) and incorporate(s) by reference as if set forth fully herein, the following damages and causes of action of the Master Long Form Complaint on file with the Clerk of the Court for the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois in the matter entitled *In Re: Testosterone Replacement Therapy Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 2545:



Count I – Strict Liability – Design Defect



Count II – Strict Liability – Failure to Warn



Count III – Negligence

- ☒ Count IV – Negligent Misrepresentation
  - ☒ Count V – Breach of Implied Warranty of Merchantability
  - ☒ Count VI – Breach of Express Warranty
  - ☒ Count VII – Fraud
  - ☒ Count VIII – Redhibition
  - ☒ Count IX – Consumer Protection
  - ☒ Count X – Unjust Enrichment
  - ☐ Count XI – Wrongful Death
  - ☐ Count XII – Survival Action
  - ☐ Count XIII – Loss of Consortium
  - ☒ Count XIV – Punitive Damages
  - ☒ Prayer for Relief
  - ☐ Other State Law Causes of Action as Follows:\_\_\_\_\_
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**JURY DEMAND**

Plaintiff(s) demand(s) a trial by jury as to all claims in this action.

Dated this the 31 day of January, 2018.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED  
ON BEHALF OF THE PLAINTIFF(S),

/s/ Thomas Sims

Signature

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